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Instructions for
COMMON SURGERIES and CHARGES COMPARISON

Welcome to OSHPD's Common Surgeries and Charges Comparison site, where you can view and compare the median charges and average length of stay for selected scheduled elective inpatient procedures. The term "scheduled" means the hospitalization was arranged with the hospital at least 24 hours prior to admission. For further information on type of admission definitions see:

http://www.oshpd.ca.gov/HID/MIRCal/Text_pdfs/ManualsGuides/IPManual/TypeAdmission.pdf

To obtain a comparison:

1. Select year. This represents the discharge year that the patient was released from the hospital. Currently, the only data available is from 2007.
2. Select Procedure Category. There are 7 procedure categories to choose from. You may choose one procedure category.
3. Select Procedure. Each Procedure Category has specific procedures associated with it. These inpatient procedures are frequently performed in California. You may choose one procedure. Please see the information following the instructions for a full list of the procedures available.
4. Select County. This is the county where the hospital is located. You may choose one county, or if you select "All Counties," you will receive statewide results.
5. Select City. This is the city where the hospital is located. If you wish to see results for a specific city within a county, select the city here. You must have selected a county in order to have the city selection populated. If you select "All Cities," you will receive county wide results.
6. Click Go. The screen will re-load with your results for the selections you chose.

Each time one (or all) of the above data element selections is changed, please refresh the query by clicking the "Go" button.

Comparison results:

1. Hospital. The name of the hospital.
2. Address. The address of the hospital.
3. Number of Discharges. The number of records for each hospital for the selected procedure in 2007.
4. Average Length of Stay. The average number of days a patient spent in each hospital for the selected procedure in 2007.
5. Median Charge per Stay. The midpoint (halfway between the highest and lowest) dollar amount a hospital charged for the selected procedure in 2007. Charges are the amount that the hospitals report to OSHPD as the hospital's full established rates; these dollar amounts do not reflect what reimbursement the hospital actually received. Kaiser Hospitals and Shriners's Hospitals do not report charge information to OSHPD; these hospitals will display blank Median Charge per Stay.

List of Procedure Categories and Procedures



Digestive Procedures:

- Gallbladder Removal – Laparoscopic
- Gallbladder Removal – Open
- Gastric Bypass – Laparoscopic
- Gastric Bypass – Open
- Inguinal Hernia Repairs
- Lap Band (adjustable gastric band and port)

Female System Procedures:

- Hysterectomy – Abdominal – Laparoscopic
- Hysterectomy – Vaginal – Laparoscopic
- Hysterectomy – Abdominal – Open
- Hysterectomy – Vaginal – Open
- Mastectomy – Bilateral
- Mastectomy – Unilateral

Heart and Circulatory Procedures:

- CABG (Coronary Artery Bypass Graft)
- Endarterectomy (Head and Neck)
- Heart Valve Replacement (Aortic or Mitral)
- PTCA (Coronary Angioplasty Non-Invasive)

Male System Procedures:

- Abdominal Prostatectomy (retropubic or suprapubic)
- Radical Prostatectomy
- TULIP – Laser Induced Prostatectomy
- TURP – Transurethral Prostatectomy

Obstetrical Procedures:

- Assisted Vaginal Delivery
- C-Section Delivery

Skeletal Procedures:

- Disc Removal (any level)
- Total Hip Replacement
- Total Knee Replacement

Urinary Procedures:

- Endoscopic Removal of Bladder Tumor (TURB)
- Repair Urinary Stress Incontinence
- Total Removal of Kidney and Ureter – Unilateral

Procedures are reported to OSHPD using the International Classification of Disease, 9th Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-9-CM) code set. For a list of codes used in the Common Surgeries and Charges Comparison, please access the [ICD-9-CM Codes](#) link.